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## A FRESHMAN'S VIEW OF THE INITIATION

Wednesday October 18th. in the year of our Lord 1916 was a day of trials and tribulations for the Freshies on account of the animosity of the Sophs toward the said Freshies. The great majority of the Freshman expected something terrible to happen at the Initiation, but their fears of an awful death were quieted when they beheld Mr. H—, running around with an atonizer held gracefully aloft in his trusty right lily white hand. To most of the Freshies the date of initiation was "sometime in the dim future" and as a result were taken off their guard, which, by the way, was lucky for the adorable Sophs. From this position one thing figuratively "sticks in our eye" and that is, the Sophs appeared to be slightly respectful of the Freshies strength. There was also a certain tameness about the whole procedure, but this no doubt was caused by the "powers that be-e" buzzing in a manner not productive of anything very special in the way of "rough-house" on the part of the Sophs. We took great pleasure in the soap eating contest staged by a gentleman familiar to the majority of us and we might offer this suggestion to all and sundry—there is a certain soap made in our fair country which is guaranteed to cleanse one inside either by contact or by attraction. There is one thing for which we must thank those who managed the thing and that is for having the bevy of beauteous females arrayed in such a bewitching manner in the gallery or upper regions. It was a great stimulant to the lowly Freshie to see what appeared to be a group of carolling angels and who seemed to be hoping that the said handsome youths would not be marred for life. There may have been a reason for these hopes because, you know, Freshies are sometimes handy as escorts at "hops" and other functions.

Who was the cook who fixed up that dish of spaghetti? It was very well done in a way but if he had added a little glue such as is used in piano factories a certain strange mark of distinction would have remained with the supplicants for a considerable length of time and in this way something similar to the result of the clippers would have been accomplished.

The reception committee at Athabasca was one to be

desired. A Sophomore, a veritable Mary Pickford, poured the coffee in a charming way and went so far as to flirt with "Big Six" Langford. If this Sophomore had known that Longford is "Sudden Death" personified, no doubt a different attitude would have been taken on his part. Sandwiches were also "dished out" by various important specimens of the "Sophs" specie. Though our bonds were released for a short time, no opportunity for the Freshies "to start something" was given.

The "cops" came and the "cops" went, but did very little, although they stuck out their manly chests for some reason or other. However, they were objects of much scorn, even though they held a responsible position.

Summing everything up we find that the initiation had not enough "pep" in it and that the Freshies of this year, who are the Sophs of the 1917-18 will "pull off" something much better.—Amen.

## INITIATION.

### A Sophomore's View.

Initiation has long been a traditional rite and custom among certain people, the world over, a test of nerve, physical strength, and self-control that marked the promotion into a new sphere of life. For many years it has been the traditional right of the Sophomore Class of a university to administer this rite to the incoming freshmen. Last year the ceremony was replaced to the disappointment of Sophomores and Freshmen generally, by a banquet given by the Freshmen, at which they discussed with the Sophomores the rules under which they were to live for the first half of the term. True, the discussion which followed proved intensely interesting, but it was only a slight test of the few Freshmen who participated in the lively discussion. However, the suppressed desire for a general initiation had an unhealthy influence on life in general about the campus. This year initiation was observed here on what resulted in a general holiday two weeks ago. The menu was quite different from last year and objectionable features of some previous initiations were absent, yet the loss of dignity felt by some incoming Freshmen was sufficient to test their self-control. Although some of them appeared light weights while "up in the air," yet they were tested and measured up well. At once, they were welcomed to our halls, a feeling of good fellowship is already abroad and a more marked varsity spirit.

## INITIATION.

### A Junior's View.

Initiation ceremonies have been performed and the Juniors were forced to make some observations. They were glad to see the attitude which the Freshmen took toward this old and desirable institution. The testing of Freshmen hearts by medical students, was a wise precaution. Nothing to which any person could object entered the performance, as evidenced by the fact that the ladies were interested spectators to the last. We congratulate the Sophomores on the smooth-working machinery as well as on their moderation and sanity.

Of course, in passing judgment on an initiation we cannot lose sight of the purpose for which the institution exists; for, only in so far as it has fulfilled that purpose can it be said to have been a success. Judging from the popular conception of its purpose we deplore the fact that it has not had the desired and required effect in some cases (no names mentioned). This is not the fault of the Sophomores or the initiation ceremony but of those individual Freshmen.

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## THE ALBERTA COLLEGE

The great even which sophomores enjoy and freshmen dread has passed by and now in a spirit of good-natured comradeship all have united forces to make this a successful year. In spite of ranks depleted by the call of king and country very keen interest is being shown in the various college activities.

The first great task before the student body was the work of organization. On account of three of the men elected to the student council during the spring elections not returning, a new election became necessary with the result that Mr. Wm. Sykes became secretary of the student council, Mr. Peters secretary of the literary society and Mr. T. J. Stainton secretary of the Y.M.C.A. The various committees were then formed and have already done good work.

Under the able guidance of Mr. G. Hosking our athletic committee is working hard. Great interest is being displayed in the outdoor games during these fine days, and tennis and handball tournaments are the order of the hour. The ladies are also doing good work. We have heard it whispered that they are becoming quite skilful with the basket ball; they are also showing lively interest in handball. We have lost a keen supporter of handball in the person of Mr. S. Laycords, but in honor to his farewell wishes efforts are being made to secure others to take his place.

The Literary society under Mr. J. Lund is planning interesting times for the students during the winter months. The reception to the freshman class was an event enjoyed by all, after the normal programme of addresses of welcome had been given, a social time was spent, and under the genial influence of cake and coffee. (and should we mention the ladies?) the new students did not find it difficult to become acquainted, and forget their troubles of the afternoon.

Our Y.M.C.A. is not asleep, and though the students body is small compared to former years great interest is being shown in its various branches of work. The president Mr. J. W. Smiley has now got things in working order and is well pleased with the results. The attendance at the Bible Study groups, the Sunday morning fellowship meeting and the Sunday evening song service is very encouraging.

We have not asked for a report from the faculty, but we believe that a good one would

The first contribution by our mysterious masked poet is a little thing in three spasms, enlisted:

### "TRISTESSE."

#### Canto I.

Three freshmen went voyaging  
over on Jasp.  
T'is a giddy old lane since the  
bars closed down  
And the noise of their garments  
made wayfarers gasp  
As they headed toward the white  
bright lights of town.

#### Refrain

Oh, the coin sure burns when  
the pocket is full  
And they work from the time  
they go broke as a rule  
Till the check comes in from  
Father.

#### Canto II.

Three couples strolled slowly  
beyond Syndicate  
When Hepburn and Chaplin had  
each done their bit  
One youth bore a grip-sack of  
no meagre weight  
But though greatly it pained him  
still clung close to it.

#### Refrain.

For you take your choice as the  
boys go by  
And the bigger the parcel the  
gladder the eye  
Of the wise and worldly lady.

#### Canto III.

Three wrecks crossed the bridge  
about half after two  
With a flat wheel apiece they  
limped up to the Hall.  
Though walking is tough when  
the cars are all through  
It is better than no transport-  
ation at all.

#### Refrain.

Oh the young must learn from  
the old and wise  
And the boobs find out from the  
knowing guys,  
All the ways of this sinful world.

The above true tale suggests the desirability of an escort for all freshmen crossing the river after dark. Applications will be received at this office and will be dealt with in the order of their receipt. Apply in writing, type-writing, if possible, giving age, disposition and any particulars of previous employment that you fancy would enable you to qualify for one of these positions.

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## MILITARY

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A. W. M.

The University has this year, as last, decided to substitute compulsory military drill for the physical education usually required of the men students of the first two years. There are two distinct groups of men who turn out on Tuesdays and Thursdays for drill.

There are, first, the members of the C.O.T.C. The Canadian Officers' Training Corps is a militia unit under the supervision of the Department of Militia at Ottawa. The men here sign the regular Militia Roll, and are required to take the usual oath.

The second group comprises those men who are taking only the "Physical Education" as prescribed in the calendar. These men take practically the same work as the C.O.T.C. man, but are not members of the militia, and are not required to sign any roll.

Of a total of some hundred men taking the drill, about forty have signed the C.O.T.C. roll. Of course, more are hoped for as the term goes on.

The company this year is organized under much the same basis as last year. The officers so far appointed are—

Officer Commanding Captain W. H. Alexander.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Headquarters, A.M.C. Training Depot, No. 13. Sarcee Mobilization Camp, Alberta.

From The Officer Commanding, A.M.C. Training Depot, No. 13.

To The Editor.

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I thank you.

Clarence.

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### A FORE-WORD.

Once more we find ourselves on the threshold of a college year with all its big problems confronting us. The Empire is still at war and our student registration, although necessarily smaller than last year, is nevertheless encouraging. The older students, however, are very conspicuous by their absence which means that the work of running the various societies and organizations within our walls will fall heavily upon the shoulders of the junior classes. But we are sure they will rise to the occasion. There is plenty of work to be done, and now, as the war continues and student bodies become smaller, the tendency to shoulder everything upon one or two men becomes more and more evident, and, if the junior classes do not come to the assistance, the result will be that a few willing cart horses will have to bear the whole load. We consider, therefore, that it is the duty of every man to be increasingly willing to do his share of the work if efficiency in the management of college affairs is to be maintained. Get on one of the committees. The training itself cannot be underestimated. Indifference to the claims of the various student activities is not essentially heroic. Because many have left, the student societies is just the reason why you should give them your support and assistance. You all possess ability. Give it an outlet by associating yourself with one or more of the student organizations. This is our advice to new students.

### EDITORIAL.

Owing to unforeseen difficulties we cannot in this opening issue place before our readers a full outline of our years work.

There is one feature of this years Gateway, however, which we are sure will meet with the approval of our readers, namely, the weekly active Service News Letter which will be edited by Professor Edward. These letters will contain information of interest and value to our students, while at the same time we hope to make the balance of the paper of interest to our student soldiers who each week will receive a copy of the Gateway. For this reason we ask our readers to co-operate with us in making these pages cheery and welcome to our enlisted friends.

Another feature will be the appearance from week to week of photoes of our enlisted students.

The present issue contain the names of men who have been killed or wounded in action to date.

Beginning with our next issue we hope to publish in four or five installments the Honor Role of our students and staff. These if filed will enable us to keep in touch with our students and will supply us with much needed information.

The fact that a thing looks different according to the glasses which we look through cannot be better brought home to our readers than by perusing our columns about the initiation. The Freshman naturally wants to be breezy. He is fresh from high school and he likes people to get an idea that his vocabulary is unlimited, but in reality, the more he writes the more one realizes how limited his resources are in this direction. The Sophomore also waxes warm in his

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### INITIATION.—(Continued from page 1)

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### INITIATION — A Senior's View.

Of course we were not in it. Those days of joy are past. Nevertheless, we enjoyed the resurrection of an institution which we almost believed had disappeared. But we found it had only been buried temporarily and its inception again this year only proves that you can't keep a good thing down. We hope it stays; fair—well! We honestly believe that without it, college spirit can never amount to anything.



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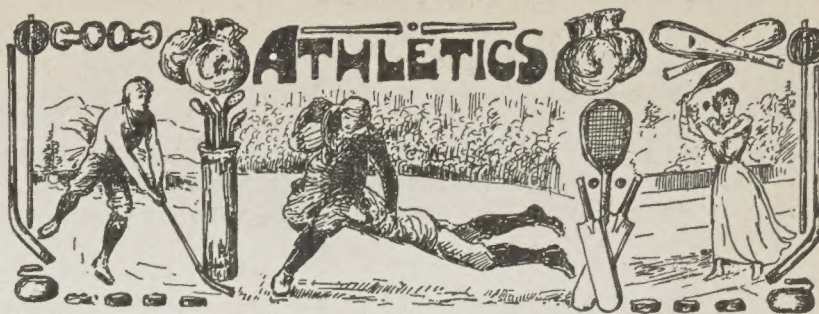
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Although senior athletics of any kind is out of the question this year, it has been decided to continue activities in the junior and intermediate classes to some extent, at least, and your co-operation along these lines is earnestly requested by the athletic executive.

#### Rugby Club

The Rugby Club has been organized and practices are being held four times a week with every prospect of fair success, not withstanding the fact that three quarters of the squad are without previous experience at the game. The club has been fortunate in securing as coach Joe Price who as pilot of the Canucks and "them Tyers" was the cause of our downfall on many an autumnal afternoon in the past. Prof. Edwards is also giving as much of his time as possible and if Varsity can't win with that board of strategy the fault will clearly lie with the material. The only assistance they ask from you is your attendance in a suit at every practice and a little work from the neck up as well as down. While the last requirement is always a hard one with students in general, heroic measures should enable the majority to bear up under the strain.

#### Basketball.

The Basket-Ball club under the capable leadership of Manager Stanton is already at work and dates of the various practices will undoubtedly be posted on the bulletin board before this g.f.j. is o.s.a.t.n.s. It is the intention of the executive to form an inter-year or inter-platoon league at a later date so in the interests of preparedness we would advise early and constant practice.

#### Field Day.

It has also been decided to hold a Field Day on Sat. Oct. 28 and the success of this undertaking, more perhaps than any other, depends on the support of the entire student body. While it is admitted that the Freshman class is perhaps the strongest from athletic standpoint, don't let it be said that they also show the best college spirit of any year

at the University. At the present time their representatives are the only ones ever seen on the track and instead of having a good example to follow, they are, in the humble opinion of the editor of this "colyum", obliged to provide the example as well as the following.

#### Rifle Club.

The Rifle Club expects to get on a working basis in a short time, and those whose future programs include plain and fancy strafing or even the gentler ammunitionary pursuits should interview Mr. McIntyre, who is in charge of this branch of student activity.

The success or failure of athletics this year hinges wholly upon the attitude of the students towards our various efforts and if every man is behind the executive in their endeavor, there is no reason why this season should not be fully as successful as those which have gone before. We will have no provincial championships or victories over Saskatchewan to show for our work, but it will be enough if the majority of the first, say with the poet: "A very pleasant and enjoyable time was had." We use the word man advisedly; for, if the women's athletic meeting was any criterion, their interests will be very capably looked after, and their various clubs will enjoy a success unexcelled perhaps in previous Waukegan history.

#### "The GATEWAIL"

Note.—The Editor accepts no responsibility for the opinions of correspondents as expressed in these columns. Correspondents wishing to use a pen name must also sign their proper names, for the information only, of the Editor, Faculty and Chief of Police. Be brief.

We never saw a fish yet that wasn't in the swim—and, as a rule, in their leisure moments you will find them in the cool shade places.

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## EDITORIAL

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endeavors to out do his rival. In the third year, the small details and flowery language are missing and one gets an idea that writing is burdensome. The Senior, as a rule is brief and to the point. Look over the different views.

## NEWS LETTER.

This issue of the Gateway has a departure from previous years by working in conjunction with the Comfort Club. This club was formed last winter to look after the comfort of the soldiers at the front, and through the efforts of Capt. W. Muir Edwards a weekly news letter was established, to keep the boys at the front in touch with home and university news. The funds for this work was raised by subscriptions from the students.

The first issue appeared on the 8th of April and from that date an issue has gone forth every week. Capt. Edwards edited twenty-six copies, with Mr. Race, Dr. Alexander, Dr. Tory and Miss Dillow each taking charge of one. The last issue contained one hundred and sixty copies sent to those on active service. Each individual University student on active service is sent a copy except those in the 11th F.A. and 196th Battalion, in which case ten copies are sent to the orderly room for distribution.

Just how much these letters are appreciated by our men at the front is impossible to say. But the number of letters which the editor has received from the recipients speak volumes. Sgt. Roy Stevens laid great stress on the importance of this work, which the Comfort Club under Capt. Edwards had undertaken, while on furlough in Canada. Here are some extracts taken from a letter which speaks for itself.

"I never really felt I belonged to the U. of A. until late this year when I began to receive the News Letter True I was on the staff of the University in the capacity of Law Lecturer, but there didn't seem to be any vital tie—there was no personal relationship. Since the News Letter began to arrive, I have felt that I am an integral part of the University and I read them through from beginning to end with an interest I should not have imagined possible six months ago,—most of the men and women whose names are mentioned in the letters are absolutely unknown to me but now I feel as if I knew them, and there's a bond linking us all together. I don't know who is responsible for the News Letter idea nor who bears the brunt of the labor in writing it out, but whoever they may be, they have built better than they knew."

CORRESPONDENCE  
STUDENTS' UNION,

In the good old days the Students' Union held its meetings at an hour especially set aside for its meetings, viz Friday at 11 a.m. It is true that last year the students did not avail themselves fully of the opportunity given for attendance at these meetings but in a large measure, this was due to the staggering blow which student self-government received early last session. As every student knows, we refer to the handling of compulsory military drill,

which "case clearly resulted from ambiguity of jurisdiction,"

Now starting a new session, handicapped by loss of many leading students through enlistment, we face the climax.... the HOUR hitherto set aside for the workings of the democracy swept away. All students must awake to their full responsibilities or the democracy of which we students were once so proud shall be replaced by an absolute autocracy, which is the only alternative.

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"find". Whether this person is A recent issue of the Queen's our "steve" or our "shorty" Journal mentions a Mr. Atkinson (Aitcheson) we do not know. former Alberta student, who is However, in either case, our now playing centre scrim, as a loss is Queen's gain.



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## UNIVERSITY Y.M.C.A.

The Cabinet of the University Y.M.C.A. suffered from the non arrival of its members. Mr. J. W. Scott, the convener of the 'New Student' Committee was the sole representative among those who assembled at the opening of the new term. Mr. Black, our president, is on active service and the vice-president, secretary and treasurer have been unable to return. With the help of Mr. Forshaw, of the Intercollegiate Y.M.C.A. a new cabinet was nominated and elected by the members: President: Norman A. Clark; Vice-President and New Student Work, J. W. Scott; Secretary-Treasurer, J. W. McKinney; Bible Study, T. L. Brown; Sunday Service, N. M. Stover.

The New Student Committee quickly got to work and Mr. Scott with Mr. McNaught arranged for the annual Reception to the Freshmen. This was held on the 11th October. Each newcomer was introduced to the President of the University, who later in the evening spoke on its traditions. The various activities of the student life were brought to the attention of the Freshmen by members of the different departments, and after games, mu-

sic and refreshments, the evening closed with the National Anthem.

We were fortunate in having a visit from Mr. Dayton, of the University of Manitoba, in connection with the Intercollegiate Y.M.C.A. Mr. Dayton brought us news of the work of other universities and made us feel that we are in touch with Y.M.C.A. men throughout the Dominion.

Our first University Sunday Service was held on the 15th October. Dean Kerr presided, and Dr. Tory gave the address. On the 22nd, the President conducted the service and Dr. Dyde preached the sermon. The solos by Mrs. Eaton and Mrs. Bowers were much appreciated, and added to the sense of worship. The singing this year is led by a choir of mixed voices under the direction of Miss Bell, with Mr. Ronning as Choir Secretary. We are glad to see that the musical part of the service is still better than it was last year, and that the congregational singing also has improved. On October 29th, the Bishop of Edmonton will preach and Dr. Harwood will be the soloist.

Our Bible Study convener, Mr. Brown, has not yet returned, but Mr. Race has organized the first year's work, and has under-

taken the leadership of a normal group of old students who will head classes of Freshmen in the study of Cutlers 'Students Standards of Action.' The upper classes, because of their small numbers, will join together in one group, which will be lead by Dr. Dyde.

In spite of the breaking up of the Cabinet during the summer, the 'Y' has got off to a good start this Fall, and all departments have their work well in hand.

## EXCHANGE.

The McGill daily in a recent issue gave utterance to some good common sense on the subject of initiation which we shall quote verbatim. In part it says.

'Freshmen entering the University are somewhat apt to let the idea of their own importance run away with them, and it is only right that such a state of affairs be not allowed to exist. However, there are ways and ways of putting a stop to it, and the ways adopted in times that are now absolutely of the past, were not those in keeping with the opinion that student's at a

University should be credited with the average amount of brains."

"The use if we may call it such, of the scrap is not its objectionable feature; it is the abuse of it which calls for attention. Wholesome fun can be had without destruction of property; vivid and lasting impressions of his importance can be given a freshman without making him a cripple; the superiority of the second year can be demonstrated without an appearance in the police court, etc.

The fact that our own initiation this year was conducted as it was, only goes to show the change of the times; for in reality it was but the carrying out of the sentiments expressed by the McGill Daily which coming at this particular time may mean much in the conducting of future initiations here.

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Lower. Corp. J. R. Thompson killed in Action Sept. 17th 1916.

## War Letter

Edited by W. Muir Edwards.

October 27th.

The News Letter this week finds itself part of a more general news service and trusts that those in active service will find the change satisfactory. The only doubtful point in the mind of the editor is the question as to whether the Gateway sent as second class matter will be as carefully forwarded to addresses as the appreciate the more general university news and the Comfort Club has undertaken to see that each week a Gateway is forwarded to you and we trust that on receipt of this issue we may have an expression of opinion from our readers.

I beg to acknowledge letters this week from Corp. R. V. Patterson (Oct. 3rd), Sgt. Robinson (Oct. 20th), Lieut. A. E. White (Oct. 21st), J. W. Dexter and a postcard from Corp. L. B. Good. An appreciation of the News Letter was received indirectly by the editor from Mr. F. S. Albright, who was a lecturer in the Faculty of Law and is now Sergt. F. S. Albright, No. 895173. We wish to state that it

is such letters that cheer us all anon and make us feel that the "bit" we do is a little "worth while" to those who are doing the real work at present. I see by the papers that the 191st is slated to go to Red Deer for the winter, the 187th remaining in Calgary and the 218th and 233rd returning to Edmonton next Monday. I am pleased to announce that another of our students having joined as a private, has earned his commission in the same unit. Mr. A. E. White last year's president of the Students' Union, is now a lieutenant in the 218th. Dexter is still in England but at the time of writing expected to go over to France very shortly. He reports having met Stevens at Folkstone and so got the Western news first hand. He also reports that Glanville has gone back to France.

So far as I can learn, as this is written (Oct. 27th) the Western Universities Battalion should be starting on its ways to England. Robinson who has been Battalion orderly room, Sergeant, is returning to "C" Company, I saw the popular O.C. of that unit up here the other day and on hearing that he had made a flying visit to Edmonton and not gone south, I was somewhat puzzled until I met a (I really didn't but this reads well) radiant young lady with a perfectly "dandy" (I quote here from another young lady's description) ring worn on the orthodox finger and composed of the orthodox stone.

I am sure that on behalf of those on active service, and on behalf of the staff and students of the University here, I can extend to Miss Helen Montgomery and Captain MacLeod the best of good wishes.

Word was received on Thursday by his parents that Pte. G. M. Lavell, No 475388 had been killed in action. I suppose it might be safe to say that those of the U. of A. men interested in athletics, no one was better known than George Lavell. Always of a cheerful disposition he seemed to be the center of any joyous gathering that might get together and there will be many to mourn his loss. Of the four students who were almost inseparable whilst at the University, Parsons, Deitz, Beecroft and Lavell, three have made the supreme sacrifice and Beecroft is still reported as missing. The war is surely taking a heavy toll of our manly men.

Word has just been received by Mons. Pelluet, who took over Mons. Sonnet's work in the French Department at the University, that his son Max had been killed in action. Max Pelluet enlisted as a private in

the 49th and worked up through the non-commissioned ranks to Sergeant. Sergeant Pelluet was one of the seven of the original 49-ers who had come through without a casualty.

The casualty list this morning contains the name of Lieutenant A. D. Cowper, with next of kin at Toronto, as wounded. The probabilities are that this refers to Capt. Cowper who went as Second-in-Command of "C" Company, 196th Battalion, and volunteered to go over as a Lieutenant with the special draft of Canadian officers called for in August.

In Robertson's letter he mentions that in a letter received by one of the officers Capt. Cowper reported himself as just leaving for France.

If this should reach him, I might say that we would appreciate a line.

A correction is necessary on the Honor Roll in that Pte. George Henry Holmes No. 184069 has been declared a deserter by Court of Enquiry and struck off the strength of the 196th O.B., C.E.F. Pte. W. L. McDonald (Sci) No. 911433 is in the Signallers of the 196th. Pte. A. R. Hugill (Law) who appears on our Honor Roll as enlisted with the 196th transferred to the 227th Batt. at Camp. Borden in August. We are starting in on a revised Honor Roll and so would be glad to have any corrections forwarded immediately. When completed we hope to be able to forward you each a copy for reference.

Patterson writes in part as follows: "There are now very few of the boys left in the 49th and it falls to my lot to drop a few lines. We have seen some very stiff fighting lately and have had very heavy casualties, among which were Mr. McKnight and Capt. Pearson. McKnight was killed almost as he reached the front line and Pearson received a couple of slight wounds at about the same time. However we took our objective and you may be sure Fritz got worse than he gave.... I saw Jesse James about ten days ago and he was looking fine. It is rumored around that he has been wounded since but I hope it is not true. I also was speaking to Lavell and Heinie Beecroft a few days ago but have in fact seen very few of the boys lately." (As already noted, James was lightly wounded, but is doing well.

The report is that Roy Stevens is in Montreal to take up his work as Lieutenant of the 6th University Company. Stevens will be by now quite a hardened sailor I should think. Reg Henry reports in from the 49th



Upper Lieutenant J.B. Cascaden Killed in Action June 4th 1916

Lower. Lieut. H. T. Beecroft reported "missing" Oct. 14th 1916.

that everything is going well and that the troops are in the best of spirits.

It gives me great pleasure to acknowledge the donations of Mr. Forster to the work of the Comfort Club, he having forwarded cheques for \$5.00 and \$10.00 for the News Letter and Comfort Club work respectively. The News Letter is indebted to him also for past subscriptions.

The 194th called in all members by wire yesterday so they are evidently getting ready for a move. If they, together with the 196th go across the 260 members of the Honor Roll will be divided as follows:

23 men remain in Canada and 236 have gone to England. Of these latter 23 have made the supreme sacrifice, 15 have been wounded, one of whom has been permanently discharged, and the remainder are recovering, or have recovered completely.

L.K. Blain of the 78th Depot Battery was in this morning. He is looking as though army life agreed with him. Last Saturday Love was posted as a Sergeant Blain and Black as Bombardiers. The two latter expect to leave tomorrow for Kingston to qualify Wilkie Whitlaw whom all the University boys will know has joined the 78th.